

HUEDC
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ATTENDANCE RECORD

DATE: January 20, 2026

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: 500 West Main Street, Mitchell, IN

MEMBERS PRESENT

Clara House
Sharon Mitchell
Bill Mitchell
Mary Alice Brown
Angela Crecelius
Angela Turpin
Martha Fields
Greg Taylor
Nancy Miller
Charlotte Speer
Janie Johnson
Rosie Wininger
Vicky Bauernfiend
Stacey Bowling
Rick Beaty
Reita Nicholson
Richard Dixon
Karan Jones
Craig Jones
Seth Purlee
Max Bedwell
Lana Sullivan

MEMBERS ABSENT

Pam Holzbog A
Sara Luallen E
Herman Campbell A
Gerald Montgomery A
Janet Harrison E
Bob Jones A
David Dedrick E
Ava Kinney E

* Alternate
A Absent
E Excused Absence

STAFF PRESENT: David Miller and Angelia Owens

GUEST PRESENT:

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I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Martha Fields, Chairperson.
Opening Prayer

II. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM: Roll call was done by Angelia Owens. There were (22) members in attendance. A quorum was present.

Rick Beaty – New Member (vote)

The CEO needs the Board to approve new Board Member, Rick Beaty, to the Hoosier Uplands Board of Directors. He will represent the Public Elect Sector in Orange County and is replacing Richard Beaty.

Richard Dixon made the motion to approve Rick Beaty, Public Elect Representative for Orange County, to the Hoosier Uplands Board of Directors. Lana Sullivan seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: No corrections or questions.

Greg Taylor made the motion to approve November minutes. Charlotte Speer seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT –October and November Reports

Stacey Bowling made the motion to approve the October and November Financial Reports as mailed. Seth Purlee seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

V. OLD BUSINESS: N/A

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS: A copy of the 2026 Committee List was given to each Board Member.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT: David Miller

REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

1. Conflict of Interest Statements

Conflict of Interest Statements were given out to each Board Member to sign. Forms will be mailed out to members not in attendance of the meeting to sign and return. These are required each year by Medicare.

2. Appoint David Miller as Home Health and Hospice Administrator

The CEO needs the Board to appoint him as the Home Health and Hospice Administrator.

Following discussion, Reita Nicholson made the motion to appoint David as the Home Health and Hospice Administrator. Charlotte Speer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Appoint Mary Crowder, RN, Home Health and Hospice Director, as alternate Home Health and Hospice Administrator

The CEO needs the Board to appoint Mary Crowder, RN, Home Health and Hospice Director as the alternate Home Health and Hospice Administrator.

Following discussion, Nancy Miller made the motion to appoint Mary Crowder, RN, Home Health and Hospice Director, as alternate Home Health and Hospice Administrator. Rosie Wininger seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

4. Out of State Travel Request: Agrability Conference to Traverse City, MI (Mar. 15th – 20th)

Need Board approval to allow Michael Edwards and Darin Chapman in the Health, Education and Aging department to travel out of state of Traverse City, MI on March 15th – 20th, 2026 to attend the National Conference for AgrAbility.

The estimated cost of the trip is \$2,400 and the funding source is Ag Vets.

Following discussion, Richard Dixon made the motion to approve the out of state travel for Michael Edwards and Darin Chapman in the Health, Education and Aging department to travel to Traverse City, MI on March 15th – 20th, 2026 to attend the National Conference for AgrAbility. Stacey Bowling seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

5. Out of State Travel Request: AHEC Conference to Washington, DC (July 13th – 16th)

Need Board approval to allow Michael Edwards, Rebekah Hawkins, and Emily Webb in the Health, Education and Aging department to travel out of state to Washington, DC on July 13th – 16th, 2026 to attend the National AHEC Conference.

The estimated cost of the trip is \$2,900 and the funding source is AHEC.

Following discussion, Richard Dixon made the motion to approve the out of state travel for Michael Edwards, Rebekah Hawkins, and Emily Webb in the Health, Education and Aging department to travel to Washington, DC on July 13th – 16th, 2026 to attend the National AHEC Conference. Stacey Bowling seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Out of State Travel Request: 21st Century Program to Orlando, FL (Feb. 28th – Mar. 5th)

Need Board approval to allow Carrie Ritchison and Stephanie Stinson in the Strategic Development department to travel out of state to Orlando, FL on February 28th – March 5th, 2026 to attend the Beyond School Hours National Afterschool Conference.

The estimated cost of the trip is \$3,712 and the funding source is 21st Century Cohort 12.

Following discussion, Richard Dixon made the motion to approve the out of state travel for Carrie Ritchison and Stephanie Stinson in the Strategic Development department to travel to Orlando, FL on February 28th – March 5th, 2026 to attend the Beyond School Hours National Afterschool Conference. Stacey Bowling seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATION ONLY:

1. The CEO updated the Board on the Federal funding. Right now Congress has approved a continuing resolution on funding through January 30th. Our lobbyist in Washington thinks they will pass the budget before then so there will not be a shut down. I feel pretty confident we will be fine with our funding.
2. The CEO updated the Board on more changes coming to the Medicaid Case Management for the under 60 clients effective on July 1st. The state is contracting these services out like they did with the 60 and over program and are not allowing the Area Agencies on Aging to apply to be providers. We will lose 190 clients to this change.

Lana Sullivan: How will clients be informed?

David Miller: No one seems to know.

3. The 2026 Committee List and Board Member Roster was given out to each Board Member to review.
4. The CEO informed the Board about the recent Home Health and Hospice CHAP Accreditation visit. It went very well and they were complimentary of our staff.
5. The CEO informed the Board of the Community Action Plan being submitted to the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority.

Martha Fields: I would like to commend Maria Banks, Early Head Start Home Visitor, on recently saving the life of a newborn baby. She was visiting with a family who had just recently welcomed twin boys and at the conclusion of the visit she asked the family if they had any concerns. The mother indicated she was concerned with the way one of the twins was breathing. Maria observed the baby and told the parents they should contact the baby's doctor. Since the parents do not speak English very well, Maria assisted with the communication between the family and the pediatrician's office. They instructed the family to take the baby to the emergency department and after being

examined the baby was transported by ambulance to Norton's Children's Hospital in Louisville and underwent heart surgery the next day. I would like Maria to know how very proud we are of her.

Stacey Bowling: I would like to let everyone know that my dad, Don Bowling, passed away on December 27th at the age of 97. He was so proud of his work with St. Vincent DePaul and Hoosier Uplands.

Rick Beaty: My dad, Richard Beaty, also 97 passed away on November 1st and he loved Hoosier Uplands.

PROVIDED MATERIALS

- Program Director's Board Reports
- News/Other

VIII. ADJOURN

Rick Beaty made the motion to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Reita Nicholson, Secretary

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